



US Army Area III Support Activity

# Safety Bulletin



## ATTENTION

### Winter Storms

**Don't get caught Not Ready, Be prepared**

- The hazards of winter storms are dramatic: wind-driven snow that makes it impossible to see, creates large drifts and lowers the wind chill.
  - Blizzards and ice storms can knock down trees, utility poles and power lines. Even small amounts of ice are extremely hazardous to motorists and pedestrians.
  - If you are stuck in a storm and are exposed to cold for an extended period, frostbite or hypothermia is possible and can be life-threatening.
  - Advisories are issued by the 607<sup>th</sup> Weather when the public should be alerted to possible storms. A winter storm watch is issued when severe winter conditions are possible.
  - The 607th Weather issues a winter storm warning when severe winter weather conditions are occurring or expected to occur within a few hours.
  - Take action before a winter storm strikes.
  - "Winterize" your car with fresh antifreeze and a strong battery. Use snow tires.
  - Keep a winter survival kit in your car.
- During a storm, listen to AFN local radio or television for the latest weather reports and emergency information.
- If you must be outside, wear plenty of layers of clothing. Don't over-exert yourself.
  - Make sure you wear a hat, because the largest amount of body heat is lost through the top of the head.

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• If you get stranded in your car, stay with it until help